

**INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2156-MC-FFS**

**DATE:** August 24, 2020

**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Hospitals, Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder Providers

**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

**Applies To:** Managed Care (MC) and Fee-for-Service (FFS)

**RE:** Clarification on Billing Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services on Form UB-04

**EFFECTIVE:** October 1, 2020

This letter provides clarification on proper billing for behavioral health and substance use services on the UB-04 Health Insurance Claim Form. Beginning October 1, 2020, providers will be required to include the appropriate revenue code in addition to the procedure code modifier combination in order to receive payment for services rendered. Claims billed without the appropriate revenue code will result in denial of the claim.

Informational Letter No. [1639-MC](#)<sup>1</sup> issued on March 21, 2016, provides guidance to providers billing for mental health and substance use disorder services on the UB-04 Health Insurance Claim Form. Providers are instructed to use revenue code 905 when billing for services intended to treat a primary psychiatric diagnosis and revenue code 906 when billing for services intended to treat a primary substance use disorder diagnosis.

The table below outlines distinct service and procedure code modifier combinations as well as the appropriate revenue code to be entered on the UB-04 Health Insurance Claim Form for each combination.

Service	Procedure	Revenue Code	Payable by
Level III.3 & III.5 Clinically Managed Medium/High Intensity Residential Treatment	H0017-TF	0906	MC Only

<sup>1</sup> <https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/IMPA/Information/ViewDocument.aspx?viewdocument=8993a193-5850-4cd9-bbcc-1d65f91f26db>

Service	Procedure	Revenue Code	Payable by
Substance Abuse			
Level III.7 Substance Abuse Residential Community-based	H0017-TG	0906	MC Only
Level III.3 & III.5 Clinically Managed Medium/High Intensity Residential Treatment Substance Abuse Hospital Based	H0018-TF	0906	MC Only
Level III.7 Substance Abuse Residential Community-based	H0018-TG	0906	MC Only
Psychiatric residential (Psychiatric and Eating Disorder)	H0018	0905	MC Only
Level III.1 Clinically Managed Low Intensity Residential Treatment (Halfway House) Substance Abuse	H2034	0906	MC Only
Intensive Outpatient (Substance Abuse)	H0015	0906	FFS/MC
Intensive Outpatient, (Substance Abuse with Housing)	H0015-TG	0906	FFS/MC
Partial Hospitalization (Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Eating Disorder)	H0035	0912/0913	FFS/MC

Please contact Provider Services by email [IMEProviderServices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:IMEProviderServices@dhs.state.ia.us) or phone 1-800-338-7909, locally in Des Moines at 515-256-4609 if you have any questions regarding billing behavioral health/substance use disorder services.